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In re Application of:)
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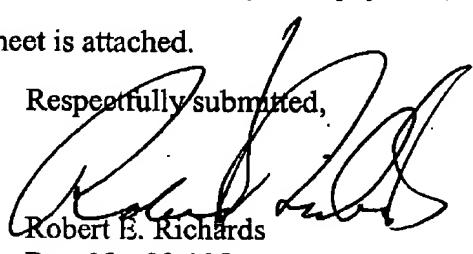
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

The above-identified applicant respectfully requests a three-month extension of time within which to file a response to the Office Action dated January 27, 2003, to expire July 27, 2003. A check in the amount of \$930.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the fee for a three-month extension.

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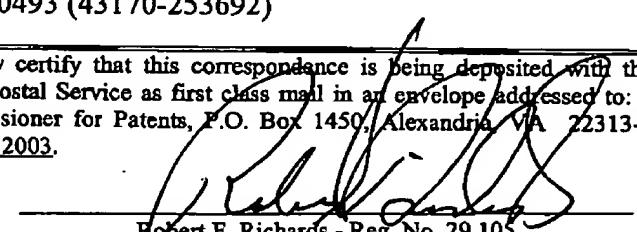
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